



THE ELBA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE held a "Business After Hours" event Thursday, March 8, for chamber members. The event, held at the chamber office, was sponsored by The Peoples Bank of Coffee County. Those attending were treated to refreshments as they discussed happening in and around Elba. During the event, Laurie Chapman offered a presentation regarding the city's website. She described various benefits of the website ([www.elbaalabama.net](http://www.elbaalabama.net)).

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department is up some as is the police department. Grimes expects the police expense to get back in line in the next few months. The sanitation department and the recreation departments are under budget for the year.

Police chief Freddy Hanchey reported his department is short four officers, forcing the department to go to 12 hour shifts to ensure the community is properly patrolled.

City Clerk Wayne Granham reported that the Clements

Furniture building tear down would begin this week. He had talked with the firm contracted to do the work and they assured him they were ready to start.

He said the Beaver Dam Creek bed project is being completed this week.

A request for a liquor license that came before the council at the last meeting is being revised and will be presented to the state and city in the near future.

Grace Daniels addressed the City Council, expressing concern over the recent increase in

utility rates. She said she was concerned for those on limited incomes with no way to get an increase. She added that these people have to choose between electric bills and medicine for their children. "When they pay the light bill, something else goes lacking", she added.

She was told that the Water and Electric board is the correct place to voice those concerns, but Mayor Grimes suggested she bring in some of the actual bills and he would see if there appeared to be a problem that could be solved at city hall.



Miss Elba Christina Bryant and Junior Miss Elba Cortlin Lee also attended the "Business After Hours" event. The young ladies often are found at community events greeting guests.

Left: Kaye Whitworth, executive director of the Elba Chamber of Commerce, receives help from Future Little Miss Elba Makayla Polk in drawing for a door prize at the "Business After Hours" event. Also assisting Whitworth with the drawing was Little Miss Elba Kayla Seay. Below: Business owners and chamber members Kenneth Calhoun and Beth Henderson discuss local issues during the "Business After Hours" event held last Thursday evening at the Elba Chamber of Commerce office. Several business owners and employees attended. This event designed to offer fellowship and information to chamber members.

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## Elba BOE holds routine meeting

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba School Board met Tuesday, March 13, and business was routine.

This month there were no visitors except the press. Local citizens were not there to express concerns or defend administration actions as they did a month ago.

The board gave approval to a new list of state adopted text

## Resolution still being sought in Dorsey Trailers bankruptcy case

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The bankrupt case of Dorsey Trailers continues to work back and forth in the federal bankruptcy court system. The expected settlement of several weeks ago did not come to a positive end, but efforts continue daily.

Last week Attorney Terry Butts, who represents the prospective buyer, Pitts Enterprises, said there had been an informal session with Bankruptcy Court Judge Sawyer in Montgomery last Tuesday morning. He added that following that meeting, attorneys involved from all interested parties are rewriting the paperwork in hopes of satisfying several technical and other concerns expressed by the judge.

Butts said he, his client and the other attorneys involved with the case are optimistic of the extra efforts resulting in a positive ending to the case and that Pitts will be building trailers in Elba before year end. He added that while the legalities and extensive paperwork will

books. They also approved several state required administrative related plans.

Parental involvement plans were approved for the elementary school, high school and the system wide plan. They also established guidelines for handling disputes with admitting children classified as homeless.

The parental involvement policy calls for annual meetings (Open House) and lists ten

major subjects to be reviewed with parents during these annual meetings, which are held during the first month of the school year.

The policy also list various opportunities for parents to be involved with their children's activities throughout the school year. Open and timely communications is promised to all parents through weekly student folders, student planners, personal contacts, news stories in The Elba Clipper, flyers, school handbooks and progress reports.

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COFFEE COUNTY INMATE'S ESCAPE SHORT-LIVED...Coffee County Jail inmate Phillip Musgrove visited the county courthouse in Elba Thursday morning, March 15, for a court appointment. Musgrove was guided by a corrections officer as he slowly made his way on crutches. During his court appearance, Musgrove received a revocation of probation and according to authorities was looking at serving 12 years in a state prison. At approximately 10:15 a.m., after exiting the courthouse, Musgrove escaped custody of the corrections officer as he suddenly threw down his crutches, kicked off his flip-flop shoes and fled. Coffee County Jail Administrator Richard Moss said Musgrove eluded officers for approximately 22 minutes as he was recaptured at 10:37 a.m. following a tip from a local citizen. Musgrove was found hiding under a vacant house on Simmons Street in Elba. Prior to Thursday's escape, Musgrove was being held at the Coffee County Jail awaiting trial on a charge of robbery first degree and resisting arrest. Moss said Musgrove now will also be charged with escape first degree. The escape charge could result in an additional 15-99 years or life in prison and a fine up to \$30,000. Sheriff Dave Sutton extended his thanks to the Elba Police Department and the Alabama State Troopers for their assistance in the recapture of Musgrove. Above, Musgrove's crutches and shoes lie on the pavement exactly where he left them when he escaped last Thursday morning in Elba.

## Enterprise students receive lesson in building stronger, safer homes

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Some Enterprise High School students received a lesson last Thursday afternoon, March 15, that will help them better prepare for the possibility of future fury from Mother Nature.

Representatives from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) brought a Disaster Avoidance With Good Home Attenuation Unionization System (DAWG HAUS) for demonstration to students. The purpose of the

demonstration was to prepare chosen students to build a safer, stronger house.

Lonnie Ryder, a FEMA representative, said today's ordinary house built to code will not withstand strong winds such as those experienced in Enterprise Thursday, March 1, when a tornado devastated the area, destroying homes and Enterprise High School. He said the DAWG HAUS is a rein-

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## New Brockton Police arrest local man on sexual abuse charges

The New Brockton Police Department arrested a local man Friday, March 16, after a complaint was made and an investigation conducted into the alleged sexual abuse of a minor female victim.

George Edward Holloman, age 55, of 604 South John Street, New Brockton, was arrested and charged with two counts of sodomy first degree and two counts of sexual abuse of a child less than 12-years-old.

Holloman was arrested by Investigator Heather Koerner of the New Brockton Police Department. Inv. Koerner transported the suspect to the Coffee County Jail where he remains with no bonds having been set.

Anyone with any information that might assist in this and possibly other similar allegations in the New Brockton and surrounding area are encouraged to call their local law enforcement agency.

According to New Brockton Police Chief Dale Grimes, the investigation continues with the assistance from the Alabama Department of Human Resources.

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"The firefighter said he joined the department, "to help others around the community."

Tindol has special training as an EMT-B. Away from the department, he works offshore with Global Santa Fe Drilling. He was a substitute mailman in Elba for the past eight years.

When asked what he enjoys most about being a member of the fire department, Tindol said, "the friendship of fellow firefighters and knowing that I have helped others."

Clinton's hobbies/interests include hunting, fishing and spending time with family and friends.

He is the son of Tom and Jumell Tindol. Other family members include his sister and brother-in-law, Kim and Josh Manning, and his nephew, Gabe Manning.

Firefighter Clint Tindol

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## REMINDER

Coffee County Schools in partnership with the Coffee County Sheriff's Department and Enterprise Police Department will present a drug awareness seminar. Presenters will be Neal Bradley, Darrell Graywood and Kyle Hise. The seminar will be held Thursday, March 22, 6 p.m., at Zion Chapel School. All parents, students and interested citizens are encouraged to attend.

## Family Easter Festival set for Saturday, March 31, in Elba

by Brian Blair, Staff Writer

As each spring approaches, many youngsters look forward to getting their Easter baskets back out and finding the "Golden Egg".

With this thought in mind, the Elba Department of Parks and Recreation along with other area merchants will sponsor the a Family Easter Festival. The festival will be held Saturday, March 31, at the Elba Recreation Department from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

WOOF FM. will broadcast from the department from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m.

"It will be a time when families can have fun together," said Michele Hudson, program coordinator for the Elba Rec. Dept. when asked what a "Family Easter Festival" would involve. "The kids can play games, win prizes, and overall, just have a good time. This is also a way to try to have more community involvement."

Hudson said the games at the festival will be fall festival type games such as go-fish, bingo, bean bag toss and football throw

along with Easter-themed games such as the bunny putt, bunny walk and chick darts. She said there will be a winner every time at all game booths. There also will be face-painting and a hayride at the festival.

The day's events will continue at Miller Memorial Stadium beginning at 2 p.m. with an Egg Hunt and WKMX broadcasting from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m.

Hudson said the department is planning more community events in the near future such as a Junior Olympics: basketball and track and field competition. This event will take place on Saturday, April 14. Also, Hudson said the Pepsi Pitch, Hit and Run baseball game will be held Saturday, May 5.

On behalf of the recreation department, Hudson offered thanks to sponsors who have helped get Family Easter Festival event set up. She also encourages everyone to attend, and she reminds children to not forget their Easter baskets.

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## TOWN

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Mayor Cole had a bit of bad news to report regarding the work on Tyler Street. He said the rain on Thursday, March 1, washed everything out at the repair site. He said it move the pipes, and it will require a crane to move them back into place.

Mayor Cole said this definitely was a set back for this project which had really been progressing as of late. He said it is probably going to be a month before the project is back to where it was when the storms came through on March 1st.

During the February council meeting, a concerned resident, Michael Jenkins, addressed council members regarding the condition of Medley Road.

Mayor Cole said the road has been a problem for years. He said there is no right-of-way on that road.

Cole said a letter has been written to the county and county engineer asking them to grate and gravel Medley Road for the town. He also said a letter has been written to the town's attorney asking his opinion on getting the right-of-ways for the road.

The mayor said the consensus seems to be that the only way to fix the road is to widen it.

After a brief discussion, council members asked town clerk Annette Williams to send a letter to all residents on Medley Road asking them to attend the April council meeting to express their

concerns for the road.

Council members also took time during the meeting to praise town employees and emergency personnel for the help they provided the City of Enterprise following the devastating tornadoes that struck the city Thursday, March 1.

"I want to commend all departments for helping out in Enterprise," Cole said. "I got some favorable comments today on how professional the people from New Brockton were in helping Enterprise."

The mayor said he can not say enough to thank the people of the departments for what they did to help.

Council member White echoed the mayor's remarks indicating he was proud of the departments.

"We don't have a lot of equipment and manpower, but we gave what we had," White said. Council member Richard Driskell also asked that everyone pray for the parents that lost children during the tornado.

"I'm very proud that we did show that we cared and helped our neighbors," council member Johnnie Herron added.

Mayor Cole said the town offices scheduled to move to the old Armory building will begin to move shortly. He said the town will keep the public informed on this move and when it is operational.



## EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS  
With Ferrin Cox

Several weeks ago we predicted that Dr. Thomas Cotes would resign from his temporary post of cleaning up Alabama's two-year college system. Well before our opinion even got to print, he had done it. As we suspected this man had already retired after establishing a spotless reputation and was not about to let a bunch of self-serving politicians (opps we meant concerned school board members) destroy him. Well now he didn't say that, but very few people in Alabama think otherwise.

Governor Bob Riley has vetoed the legislative pay raise approved as the first order of business in the current legislative session. It was first passed on a voice vote but to override the veto, they will probably be forced into a recorded vote. Now that will be interesting! First they do these things early on during their term of office, assuming voters will have calmed down by the next election. Then that first vote to pass the bill is always on voice vote, and they go home telling all voters "I voted with you on that one". They later explain off the record that they voted softly with the "nays" and loudly with the "yays". Therefore the bill passes, they get their extra expense money and technically didn't lie to the voters who go home thinking, "our man is a straight shooter and not interested in the money". We have long opposed these pay raises disguised as increases in expense accounts, but it does no good and we are looking for other battles to fight. Yet we wonder if a recorded vote will make any difference in the outcome, or at least will it reduce the amount of the raise?

Attorney General Troy King routinely issues press releases announcing welfare fraud convictions. This week it came home to Coffee County and Elba. Tommy Money, age 39, of Elba; Candelaria Moore, age 31, of Enterprise and Beverly Copeland, age 43, of Troy all pled guilty this month to charges of taking from \$1,672 in Money's case to \$4,829 in Moore's case. Each one received a sentence and was ordered to pay full restitution to the State of Alabama. The news release indicated all three cases were for funds illegally received from DHR.

The national news recently carried a story indicating that the squabbling is possibly over in the fight for the estate of the late Rosa Parks. Mrs. Parks moved up North following her history making Montgomery city bus refusal to move to the back. That sparked a major move which helped end segregation in the South. Even before she died the fight for rights to her estate had begun. This lady never was a millionaire in cash dollars, but apparently someone (or several someones) thought her estate was worth a fight. Now we were disgusted and disappointed to read that the settlement of the case means royalty payments for use of her name, even in Black History Month events. Money, money, money - follow the money. Frankly we think Mrs. Parks would be far more disturbed with this latest twist than anyone else.

You have not heard about our grandchildren lately. That is not because of any reduced greatness on their part or less worship on our part . . . we just sometimes feel it is our friends turn to brag for a while. However . . . we could reprint recent report cards, pictures of the construction guy with his hard hat and toy earth mover etc. Today we spare you those great moments, but remember they are available! An amusing thing about the report card is our granddaughter is less impressed with the subject grades as she is with the fact the block before "talks too much in class" has not been checked since early in the school year! Of course knowing her genes, that is an accomplishment to be proud of.

## Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, beginning Monday, Mar. 12, investigated the following incidents: two for breaking and entering a motor vehicle, two for theft of property, one missing person, two for dog bite, one for a lost cell phone, three for criminal mischief, one for a cat bite, two for driving under the influence and one for found property.

The following arrests were made: one negotiating a worthless non-negotiable instrument, two for driving under the influence, one unlawful manufacture of a controlled substance and one possession of drug paraphernalia.

Traffic citations issued during the week were: five for speeding, two for failure to display insurance, eight for not wearing a seat belt, one reckless driving and one suspended driver's license.

Daily activity highlights for the week were as follows:

**MONDAY, MAR. 12** - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 628 Claxton Ave. (3:40 p.m.).

**TUESDAY, MAR. 13** - Disturbance (noise) reported on Jackson St. (6:41 p.m.); Disturbance (noise) reported on Jackson St. (7:15 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1022 Martin Luther King Dr. (8:03 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 737 Adams Ave. (9:20 p.m.); Prowler reported at 1622 Stoulenire St. (10:59 p.m.); Disturbance (noise) reported on Jackson St. (11:39 p.m.).

**WEDNESDAY, MAR. 14** - Disturbance (noise) reported on Jackson St. (9:12 p.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at Beaver Dam Apt., B-6 (10:15 p.m.).

**THURSDAY, MAR. 15** - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 302 Brunson St. (11:40 a.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 728 County Rd. 344 (1:02 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1019 Drayton (2:37 p.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 923 E. Davis St. (6:48 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 2677 Hickman Ave. (9:14 p.m.).

**FRIDAY, MAR. 16** - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 107 County Rd. 128 (9:00 a.m.); **SATURDAY, MAR. 17** - Disturbance (noise) reported on Mullins Circle (1:07 a.m.); Wreck reported on Farris St. (11:43 a.m.); Motorcycle wreck on Claxton Ave. (1:50 p.m.); Disturbance

(noise) reported on Jackson St. (5:38 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to a wreck at 8193 Hwy. 87 S. (11:01 p.m.); Elba Fire Dept. dispatched to 8193 Hwy. 87 S. (11:11 p.m.); Disturbance reported at 1113 Martin Luther King Dr. (11:48 p.m.).

**SUNDAY, MAR. 18** - Coffee County EMS dispatched to 349 Tucker St. (1:15 p.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at 617 Mullins Circle (1:30 p.m.); Wreck reported on Hwy. 166 (1:44 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 626 Mullins Circle (4:09 p.m.); Domestic disturbance reported at Beaver Dam Apts. (10:42 p.m.); Coffee County EMS dispatched to 1123 Farris Ave. (11:39 p.m.).

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• **WATER & ELECTRIC** - Tuesday following 2nd Monday - 6 p.m. - City Hall

• **ELBA MINISTERIAL ASSN.** - Tues. - 8 a.m. Elba United Methodist Church Fellowship Hall

• **GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP** - every Monday 6:30 p.m. - Elba United Methodist Church - enter on side on W. Davis St. - Maggie Garrett Classroom

• **COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSION** - 2nd & 4th Monday - Community Room in Farm Center Complex @ New Brockton

• **LIONS CLUB** - 2nd & 4th Tues. - 6:30 p.m. Senior Citizen Center

• **ELBA CITY SCHOOL BOARD** - 2nd Tues. - 5:30 p.m. - Supt. Office

• **AMERICAN LEGION** - 1st Tuesday of every month - 7:00 p.m. Legion Hall, Troy Hwy.

• **MASONIC LODGE 170** - 1st & 3rd Monday of each month - 7 p.m. - 630 p.m. Senior Citizen Center

• **BAND BOOSTERS** - 1st Mon. - 7 p.m. Band Room @ Elba High School

• **VETERANS SERVICE OFFICER** - Mon-Fri. 8-12 noon & 12:30 - 4:30 New Brockton @ Farm Center Complex 894-5858

• **COFFEE COUNTY COON HUNTERS ASSN.** - 3rd Sat. - 3 p.m. - Club House

• **COFFEE REPUBLICAN WOMEN** - 3rd Wed. Noon - Po Folks, Enterprise

• **ELBA AIRPORT AUTHORITY** - 1st Thursday at 5 P.M. the FBO office at the Airport

• **AARP** meets every 3rd Tuesday night of the month

• **ELBA ATHLETIC CLUB** - 2nd & 4th Monday - 7 p.m. - Elba High boys locker room

• **NEW SEASONS STUDY CLUB** - Every 3rd Tuesday at 7 p.m.

• **ELBA KIWANIS CLUB** - 2nd & 4th Thursday - Noon - Elba Public Library

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

Contributions to Yellow River Christian Camp and Retreat will not exist without support. Please consider a donation from your church to see this vision brought to reality. If I can ever speak with anyone or any group in your church regarding Yellow River Christian Camp and Retreat, please contact me as I enjoy spreading the good news about this camp and retreat and what God has in store for us. Contact information: 7007 Yellow River Ranch Road, Florida, AL 36442; Telephone: (334) 858-7007; E-mail: [yellowchristiancamp@gtcom.net](mailto:yellowchristiancamp@gtcom.net); and Website: [www.yellowchristiancamp.com](http://www.yellowchristiancamp.com) (A 501 (c) Non-Profit Organization)

Survivors include his wife: Mary Ellen Pinkard, New Brockton; one daughter: Donna McCormick Matthews (Rusty), Orangeburg, S.C.; one son: Gibbs McCormick Jr. (Joy), New Brockton; four grandchildren: Elizabeth Marycatherine (Kit) Dowling, Charleston, S.C.; Gibbs Rex (Mack) McCormick III, New Brockton; Joseph Benjamin (Jody) McCormick II, Tuscaloosa, Ala.; Wesley Hendrick McCormick, Montgomery; two sisters: Georgia Elizabeth Olds, Warner Robbins, Ga.; Jean Segraves, Ft. Valley, Ga.; and a sister-in-law, Flora McCormick, Montgomery.

Memorials can be made to the Alabama Sheriff's Youth Ranch, P.O. Box 240009, Montgomery, AL 36124-0009; to the Harvard Brain Tissue Resource Center, McLean Hospital, 115 Mill St., Belmont, MA; or to a favorite charity.

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# LIFESTYLES

## Holley-Compton Wedding held on the lake at The Waters in Pike Road

Miss Amber Lynn Compton and Mr. Jeffrey Nathan Holley were united in marriage on Saturday, October 7, 2006. The outdoor ceremony was held at four in the afternoon on the lake at The Waters in Pike Road, Alabama. Minister Jeff Grimes officiated the ceremony and Mr. Alan Compton, brother of the bride, assisted.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Compton of Brantley. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Augusta Cook and Mr. and Mrs. George Compton, all of Brantley. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Julian Prince of Montgomery and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Holley of Dothan. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. John Speights of Montgomery and the late Mr. and Mrs. Max Harrell, and Mr. Ray Holley of Valley and the late Mrs. June Holley.

Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a chiffon gown with jeweled straps and a cowl neck. Her dress featured an empire waist, a vertically pleated back, and silver diamond details. She carried a hand-tied bouquet of white calla lilies and pink roses. The bride also carried a custom-made cross-stitched pouch containing the ruby lavalier worn by her maternal great-grandmother at her wedding, a handkerchief with blue flowers worn by her paternal great-grandmother, and the pearls worn by the groom's maternal grandmother at her wedding. Attending as maids of honor were Miss Kristen Carver and Miss Anna Carver, cousins of the bride, of Brantley, Alabama. They wore teal length two-piece gowns. The halter tops were of cream satin and the pink bluish skirts featured a triple ruffled hem with a pink dotted ribbon sash. They carried hand-tied bouquets of white calla lilies.

The groom's brother, Mr. Jeremy Holley of Kansas City, Kansas, served as best man. Ushers were Mr. Alan Compton and Mr. B. J. Philip, both of Montgomery. The groom wore a traditional black tuxedo with a boutonniere of miniature calla lilies. Groomsmen were matching black tuxedos with similar boutonnieres.

For her daughter's wedding, Mrs. Compton wore a tea-length dress of seafan green. The mother of the groom wore a tea-length dress of navy blue. His step-mother wore a lime green two-piece suit. They carried small bouquets of miniature calla lilies. Mrs. Donny



Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Nathan Holley

Bodiford of Brantley, Alabama, directed the wedding.

The reception honoring Mr. and Mrs. Holley was held under the pavilion by the lake. The three-tiered spiral wedding cake was topped with clusters of white calla lilies and pink roses. The fondant icing was embellished with pink beads. The groom's cake was three-tiered with alternating light and dark chocolate. Each layer featured various flavors of chocolate and was adorned with strawberries. Pink lemonade was served from a table beautifully decorated with apples and lemons. Guests also enjoyed a variety of offering at the chocolate fountain, as well as chicken fingers, ham and turkey sandwiches, and an assortment of fruits. Serving at the various tables were Miss Carrie Puckett, Miss Kristen McCants, and Miss Kristen Mosheim. A special table held pictures of the bride and groom through their growing up years. Following a wedding cruise to the Bahamas, the newlyweds are at home in Montgomery.

### Pre-Nuptial Parties

Amber Compton and Jeffrey Holley were honored with a series of events prior to their October 7, 2006 wedding. Miss Compton's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Augusta Cook and Mr. and Mrs. George Compton, honored the couple with a dinner party, August 26, 2006, at the Cook home in Brantley. Serving the sit-down meal were

Miss Chelsea Moseley, Miss Amy Wicker, Miss Angel Hall, and Miss Whitney Moore. The hosts presented the couple with a George Foreman Grill and "bride" and "groom" baseball caps.

The ladies of Sasser Church of Christ in Brantley honored Miss Compton with a miscellaneous shower in the church annex building on September 10, 2006. The bride received many beautiful and useful gifts. Also set up was a "Shower of Blessings" table. Guests were encouraged to write down their best advice and/or a special scripture to encourage the couple as they begin their marriage. The cake, punch, flowers, and decorations were in the bride's colors of pink and cream.

Miss Compton and Mr. Holley were honored with a home/yard/tool shower on September 24 in Montgomery at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Julian Prince. Other hosts were Mr. and Mrs. John Speights and Mrs. Bee Lowry. Guests mingled and enjoyed an array of hors d'oeuvres, cake, and hot foods as the couple opened a large variety of both "work" and "fun" gifts.

The Camellia House in Luverne, Alabama, was the setting on September 30, 2006, for the Bridesmaids Luncheon honoring Miss Compton and her attendants, Miss Kristen Carver and Miss Anna Carver, both of Brantley. Mrs. Susan Carver and Mrs. Pamela Ganos, aunts of the bride, hosted the luncheon. Miss Compton chose this occasion to present gifts to her attendants. Other guests were the bride's mother and grandmothers, Mrs. Virginia Compton, Mrs. Dorothy Cook, and Mrs. Inez Compton; and the groom's mother and grandmother, Mrs. Georgia Prince and Mrs. Joan Speights. The guests enjoyed tying pink dotted ribbons onto bubble wands and arranging them for the reception.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian Prince hosted the rehearsal dinner for the Compton-Holley wedding on October 5, 2006. Jim and Nick's Barbecue Restaurant in Montgomery was the site for the informal gathering. Tables in the private dining room were decorated in a country theme with red-checked cloths, fall foliage, and lanterns. The groom used this occasion to present his gifts. Guests included members of the wedding party, families of the couple, Minister and Mrs. Jeff Grimes, and Mr. and Mrs. Donny Bodiford.



Gracie Elizabeth Wilks

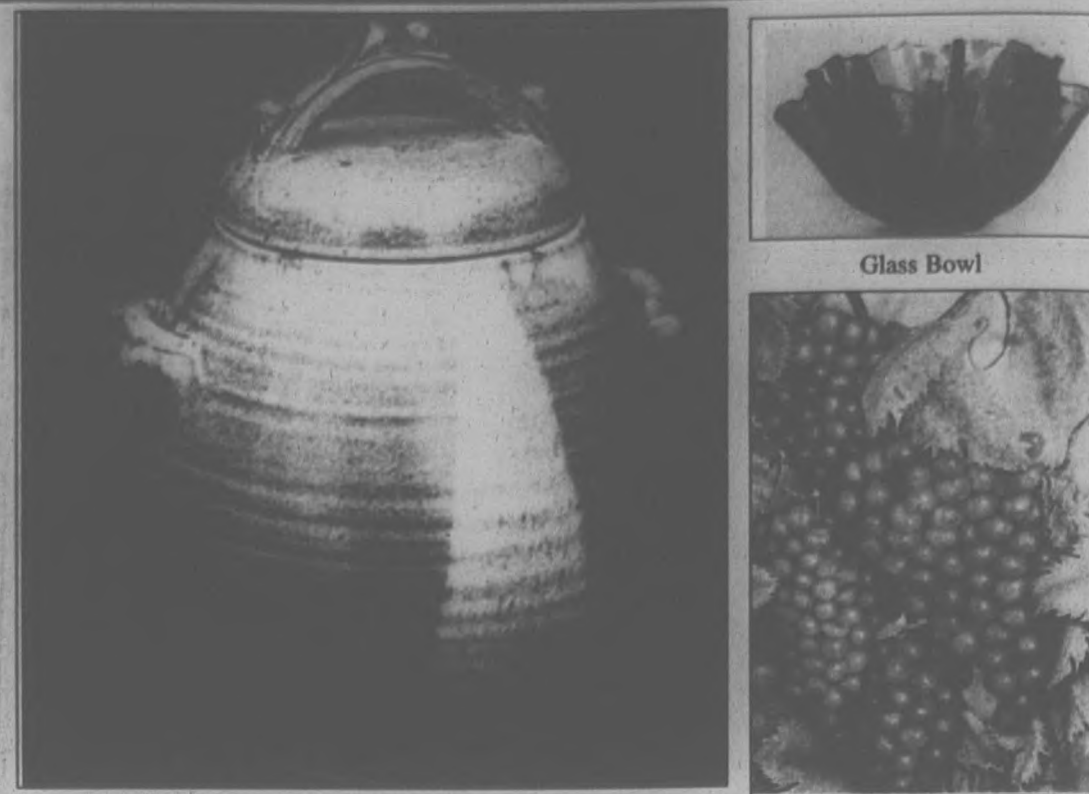
## Gracie Elizabeth Wilks celebrates 2nd birthday

On January 27, 2007, Gracie Elizabeth Wilks celebrated her 2nd birthday with a Princess Party.

Gracie's many friends and family gathered at her Nanna and Pop's house in Elba, where they enjoyed a Princess Jumparoo.

They enjoyed eating grilled hot dogs and hamburgers along with the fixings and her Princess themed birthday cake.

Gracie's parents are Ben and Rene Wambles Wilks of Enterprise. Her grandparents are Michael and Janet Wilks of Enterprise and Ronnie and Ramona Wambles of Elba. Great-grandmothers are Mrs. Pecoliar Laye of Enterprise and Ms. Bessie Dean of Cross City, Fla.



Pottery

Glass Bowl

Grapes

## Piney Woods Arts Festival set for March 31st & April 1st on the grounds of Enterprise-Ozark Community College

One of the oldest arts and crafts shows in the area, Piney Woods Arts Festival is preparing for its 33rd consecutive year of original arts, crafts, special displays, food and entertainment. Mary Jon Sneckenberger, chairman of the festival says, "Piney Woods features quality arts and crafts for reasonable prices and offers something for everyone in the family. There will be many new artists - come out and enjoy a fun-filled weekend."

This year Piney Woods will be Saturday, March 31, from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. and April 1, from noon until 4 p.m. The festival is on the grounds of Enterprise-Ozark Community College located in Enterprise at the intersection of Highway 167 South and the Boll Weevil Circle.

The variety of arts and crafts is excellent, drawing artists from throughout the Southeast. Mary McShane, who attends the festival regularly, paints watercolor flowers and fish among other subjects and states, "I always enjoy Piney Woods because it is such a pleasant place for an art show. The artists are located under the pine trees, on grassy slopes. You couldn't find a nicer place to stroll around, enjoy the outdoors and see all kinds of art work."

Freida Stewart, an artist who

specializes in whimsical painted child's furniture, is gratified by the many returning customers each year who stop by to tell her how much they enjoy the art, crafts or furniture that they purchased at an earlier show. She adds, "Each year Piney Woods has new and different artists and it is exciting to see such an assortment of art at a local event."

Several policies help Piney Woods attract the best artists to the show. First, it is a juried arts and crafts show which means all goods offered must be handmade by the artist thus reflecting the creativity of the artist.

Second, there are significant monetary awards for artists in several categories. Finally, there is a guaranteed purchase program in place which assures a certain level of purchases at the festival. All of these together help Piney Woods showcase a variety of high quality artists and crafts.

The festival provides an opportunity for junior high and senior high students to display student art and receive recognition in the form of ribbons for each category. Community College student art will be displayed in the Conner Gallery of the college.

A variety of activities is offered for families. The Children's Fun Center will

delight children with inflatables, face painting, and carnival games. A Civil War Living History Display and the Weevil City Cruisers Car and Truck Show will be on the grounds.

Local entertainment is scheduled throughout each day. Food and beverages will be provided by several vendors.

Each year, the president of Coffee County Arts Alliance selects an item of art which is purchased for its permanent collection. This body of paintings and sculpture, known as President's Purchase, will provide the basis for an interpretive flower design competition by the Enterprise Garden Club Federation.

Connie Swanger, owner of Creative Basketry, sums Piney Woods up this way, "I did this show in 2006 and it was my best show ever! It was well organized, had a nice layout and shoppers bought well from me. I'll return in 2007."

Visit Piney Woods this year. Buy some great art and crafts, be entertained, enjoy good food and see special displays. There really is something for everyone at Piney Woods!

Sponsors are the Coffee County Arts Alliance and Martin-Colley Drug Company. For information, call 334-347-1249. Free Admission to the festival.

## Johnson-Carnley wedding set for Saturday, April 14th

Mr. and Mrs. Mike Parrish of Elba and Mr. and Mrs. Danny Johnson of Opelika announce the engagement and forthcoming marriage of their daughter, Shay, to Robert Carnley, son of Bobby and Nelda Carnley of Jack, Alabama.

The bride-elect is the granddaughter of Mrs. Ella Lou Botts and the late Mr. Julian Botts of Troy, Mrs. Nell Brooks and the late Mr. Paul Brooks of Opelika, and Mr. and Mrs. Collis Parrish of Elba.

Shay is a 2002 graduate of Elba High School and a 2005 graduate of Baptist School of Radiology. She is employed at a hospital in Troy.

The future groom is the grandson of Mrs. Hazel Grantham Joines and the late Zack Lamar Grantham of Level Plains, Mrs. Sallie Mae Carnley and the late Mr. Ossie Lee Carnley of Elba. Robert is a 1994 graduate of Zion Chapel High School and has recently started his own repair business, in Jack.

No local invitations will be sent and all friends and family are welcome to attend the wedding ceremony at 2:00 on April 14th at the Covenant Community Church in Elba with the reception to follow at the Old South Inn.

They enjoyed eating grilled hot dogs and hamburgers along with the fixings and her Princess themed birthday cake.



Miss Johnson & Mr. Carnley

## Enterprise Lions, Club to sponsor 5th annual "Boll Weevil 100" Bike Ride Saturday, April 28

The Enterprise Lions, Club announces they will sponsor the 5th annual "Boll Weevil 100" Bike Ride, Saturday, April 28, to take place through the beautiful hills of Coffee County, Alabama. In conjunction with the bike ride there will be a 5K Fun Run. The "Boll Weevil 100" bike ride features three divisions: a 25 mile ride, a "Century" (100K) ride, and a challenging 100 mile ride. Starting time for all bicycle events will be 7:30 a.m. with the Fun Run starting immediately after the bicycles are on their way. All bicycle riders are encouraged to be present for registration on Friday, April 27th, from 4:00 - 9:00 p.m., at the Enterprise Civic Center. Hotels in Enterprise have rooms available, and the bicycle route



# LIFESTYLES

## Miss Shay Johnson honored with miscellaneous bridal shower on Sunday, March 18



L to R: Emily Carnley, Ella Lou Botts, Juli Parrish, Shay Johnson-honoree, Nelda Carnley, Totsy Parrish, Angie Parrish and Dana Smith



THE ELBA DIXIE DARLINGS RED HATTERS held their December meeting at the Old South Inn in Elba. The Queen Mother, Betty Rogers, presented a representative from the Salvation Army a check for \$375.00 to buy Christmas gifts for some children.

The Red Hatters that attended the meeting were the following: Left to Right Front Row: Linda Rushing, Mary Jon Brown, Representative for the Salvation Army, Queen Mother, Betty Rogers, Betty Young, Francis Jacobs, Betty Hicks, Gwen Mash, and Katrina Hollaway.

Back Row: Madilyn Atkinson, Betty Coon, Patty Sasser, Christine Bowden, Sara Hughes, Mary Alice Lee, and Mary Sue Kelley.

After lunch the Red Hatters exchanged Christmas gifts. Everyone seemed to enjoy this luncheon and meeting.

## The Weed School Reunion to be held the last Saturday in April

The Weed School Reunion will be held on the last Saturday of April at the Fellowship Hall at the weed Baptist Church on the Old Three Notch Road, Brantley, Alabama. The meat,

## New Arrival

ice, and all serving utensils will be furnished. Registration begins at 10:30 and lunch will be at 12:00. Bring your spouse and a covered dish.



Ann Elise Leonard

Jeff and Elena (Strong) Leonard are proud to announce the birth of their daughter, Ann Elise Leonard, born on March 2, 2007, at Piedmont Hospital in Atlanta, Georgia. Ann Elise weighed 6 lbs. 15 oz. and was 19 inches long. Her maternal grandparents are Kenneth and Sara Strong of Elba, and her paternal grandparents are Steve and Jan Leonard of Birmingham. Great grandparents are Mrs. Irma Warr of Elba, Dr. W. DuPont Strong of Enterprise, and Mrs. Margaret Toop of Kingwood, Texas.

MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL EDMOND WINCHESTER RUCKER CHAPTER of the United Daughters of the Confederacy recently attended their annual district meeting which was held in Ozark, Ala. The Coffee County chapter is one of five in the General Henry D. Clayton District that also includes Andalusia, Brundidge, Dothan and Ozark. Shirley Edberg from the Rucker chapter serves as the current District Director. Georgia Fleming of Enterprise presented a very informative program and book review from her first edition copy of "The Lost Cause" by E. A. Pollard. Those attending the meeting were (from left to right): Lavinia Helms, Cathy Odom, Shirley Edberg, Donna Clark and Georgia Fleming.

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Miss Shay Johnson, bride-elect of Mr. Robert Carnley, was honored with a miscellaneous shower at the Olde South Inn on Sunday afternoon, March 18, 2007. White wicker bells tied with satin ribbon and a swag of magnolias hung over the double front doors. Mrs. Janice Strickland greeted the guests and directed them to the registry table, which was attended by Miss Casey Skinner. Guests were then presented to Miss Shay Johnson, the honoree; Mrs. Juli Parrish, mother of the honoree; Mrs. Nelda Carnley, mother of the future groom; Mrs. Ella Lou Botts, maternal grandmother of the honoree; and Mrs. Totsy Parrish, paternal grandmother of the honoree. Guests were directed into the dining room where petit fours, cheese straws, seasonal fruit, and party sandwiches were served from a table covered with a white hand crystal stitched cloth and featured crystal appointments. In the living room, punch was served from a silver punch service surrounded by ivy and Carolina jasmine. An ornate crystal candelabrum also accented the punch table. Serving the refreshments were Angie Parrish, sister of the future bride; Dana Smith, sister of the future groom; and Emily Carnley, sister-in-law of the future groom. After enjoying refreshments, the guests visited and viewed the wide assortment of gifts displayed throughout the elegant Inn. Hostesses for the occasion were Yvette Akridge, Sue Boggan, Jane Brunson, Elaine Bryan, Nancy Crowe, Diane English, Lucia Grantham, Anita Grimes, Beth Henderson, Debbie Jared, Verne Maddox, Pam McCollough, Kathy T. Patty, Kathy Pippin, Eron Russell, Nadine Scarborough, Sandra Skinner, Jan Smith, Rhonda Stephens, Lisa Stinson, Debbie Stockwell, Janice Strickland, Sara Strong, Chris Suley, Henrietta Taylor, and Joan Ward.



Miss Marlowe & Mr. Brantley

## Miss Marlowe and Mr. Brantley to be united in marriage on July 28th

Briggett Marie Marlowe and Shawn Allen Brantley are pleased to announce their engagement and forthcoming marriage.

Briggett is the daughter of James Kenneth Marlowe II of Florida and Anita and Cliff Patterson of Ino.

She is the granddaughter of Frances Wambles and the late Verlon Wambles of Ino, as well as Hazel Marlowe and the late James K. Marlowe I of Florida. She is also the granddaughter of Gerald and Mary Patterson of

Kinston. Shawn is the son of Margaret Brantley of Kinston and James Brantley of Arcadia, Fla.

He is the grandson of Robert and Evelyn Marshall of Kinston, as well as Samuel and Berta Brantley of Arcadia, Fla.

The couple will be married at 2:00 p.m. on July 28 at Ino Baptist Church. A reception will follow immediately.

Friends and family are invited to attend.

## 36th Annual Storybook Festival to be held in Andalusia on March 31

The 36th Annual Storybook Festival will be held March 31, 2007 at the Kiwanis Building, Andalusia, Ala. beginning at 2 p.m. There will be activities for the kids. There will be an admission fee for the event. For more information, call Tonya Davis at 222-9603.

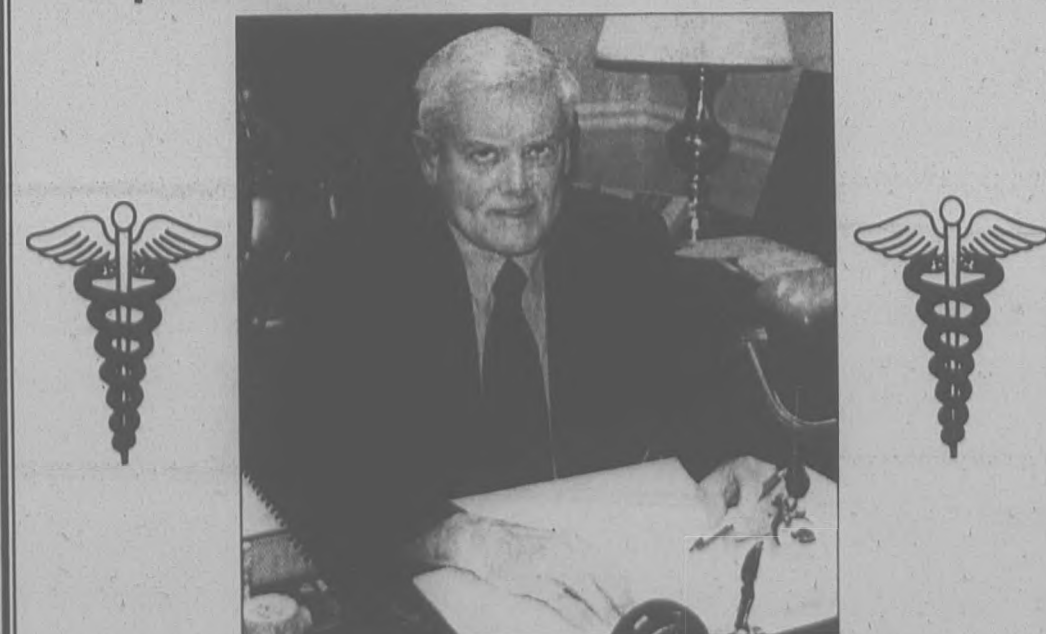
## NOTICE Nelson-Scarborough Wedding

Last week in The Elba Clipper we had an announcement for Adrienne (Rudy) Nelson and James Brett Scarborough.

In the write up it stated that the couple's wedding would be at Jack Assembly of God but for circumstances beyond their control the wedding location has been changed to Faith Chapel in Kinston.



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# SCHOOLS

## Co-Op Spotlight

by Clara Burrows



## Tiger Tales

Editors:  
Ashton Rodriguez  
& Clara Burrows

## Elba Elementary School Menu

March 26-30, 2007

### BREAKFAST

**Monday** - Peanut Butter Toast, Cereal, Juice, Milk  
**Tuesday** - Cinnamon Toast Sticks, Link Sausage, Cereal, Juice, Milk  
**Wednesday** - Pop-Tart, Canadian Bacon, Cereal, Juice, Milk  
**Thursday** - Biscuit/Jelly, Sausage, Patty, Cereal, Juice, Milk  
**Friday** - Cheese Grits, Toast & Jelly, Cereal, Juice, Milk

### LUNCH

**Monday** - Spaghetti w/Meat sauce, Green Beans, Corn, Crackers, Sweet Potatoes, Milk  
**Tuesday** - Corn dog, Macaroni & Cheese, Turnips, Cornbread, 1/2 Apple, Milk  
**Wednesday** - Chicken Nuggets, Mashed Potatoes w/Gravy, Black-Eyed Peas, Roll, Pineapple Pudding, Milk  
**Thursday** - Barbeque Sandwich, Cole Slaw, Fried Squash, Applesauce, Milk  
**Friday** - Pizza, Green Salad, Corn on Cob, 1/2 Orange, Milk

This week's Co-Op Spotlight focuses on senior **Christina Bryant**. Christina is the 18-year-old daughter of Wayne Bryant and is employed at Dairy Queen. She has been working at Dairy Queen since November 2006.

At Dairy Queen, Christina bags orders, works the drive-thru, prepares ice cream and works the cash register.

Christina is an active member of St. Beta, Student Council, VICA, Mu Alpha Theta and Spanish Club. She also serves as Key Club President, St. Class Secretary and EHS Ambassador Reporter.

Christina is the reigning Miss Elba 2007 and Miss Elba 2007. Her future plans are to graduate with honors, attend the University of Alabama, major in pre-med and one day provide low cost healthcare for low-income households.

### EHS Announcement:

• Yearbooks are now on sale for \$45 until Friday, March 30. After this date, a few extras will be ordered and can be purchased on delivery in August.

## Elba High School holds second semester blood drive

by Melanie Mularz

On Wednesday, March 14, Elba High School's Student Council held a second blood drive for the school year.

With the many blood drives being held throughout Alabama because of the recent weather-oriented tragedies many students came and donated. There were over 50 donors who were very pleased to participate in the blood drive.

In a short interview, senior Ryan McCollough, said, "I feel great to be able to donate blood. With the recent loss of blood with the tragedies in Enterprise, it feels good to be able to give back to the community and help out any way I can."

The Student Council Association at EHS was pleased with the turnout and hopes everything goes well. The SCA extends thanks to everyone who donated along with special thanks to Life South.



Elba High senior Ryan McCollough gives blood

## E.E.S. students become more cultured

by Lauren McClung

While some students are busy doing their normal class work, the Elba Elementary School Talent Pool has been learning a new language.

The fifth and sixth grade students in this gifted program have been learning Russian during their Talent Pool class time. The students have not only learned the basics of the language, such as colors and numbers, but they have learned to really grasp the language.

Every student knows enough of the language to survive a trip to Russia.

Not only have they been learning the Russian language, but they have also been getting to know what the culture is in the country. They have learned to recognize where Russia is on the map, how the Russian people dress, and what they eat.



E.E.S. Talent Pool students have been studying the language and culture of Russia

The students have truly learned the language, and if people were to go and sit for five minutes in their class and listen to the students, they would think they had entered Russia.



Elba High School senior Brad Sullivan

## Senior competes at welding competition

by Ryan McCollough

Brad Sullivan recently competed in the Skills USA District Welding contest at Wallace College-Dothan.

Brad competed against contestants from Troy, AVC, Enterprise High School, Dothan Technical School, and Elmore.

Co. AVC. The contestants were tested on blue print reading, welding knowledge, SMAW welding (stick welding), GMAW welding (mig welding), GTAW welding (tig welding), Flux welding (arc welding) and oxy-fuel cutting.

Brad finished seventh against strong competition.

## Student Spotlight

by Ashton Rodriguez

This week's Student Spotlight shines on Dustin Dorsey. Dustin is the 17-year-old son of Scott Dorsey and Tonya Powell. He is a sophomore at Elba High.

Dustin is very active in FFA and enjoys playing sports and hanging with his friends. When finished with high school, Dustin plans to attend ECCC and then pursue a degree in technical engineering.



Dustin Dorsey

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### Upcoming Holidays:

Friday, April 6th  
Good Friday

April 16 - 20th  
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## EES Spring Pictures - Thursday, March 22nd

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## Something Better

by Linda M. Hodge

### Chapter Seven

It took some persuasion, but Kyle finally convinced Kevin to take a break from work and spend some quality time with Anna. He decided it was the least he could do, especially after all the sacrifices Kevin had made for him.

"That was a nice thing you did today," Sidney said to Kyle as she walked into the family room. Besides talking his brother into taking Anna out for dinner, Kyle also convinced Sidney to have dinner and watch a movie with him and Jake. He enjoyed being around Sidney and found himself wanting to spend as much time as possible with her.

"Anna was so excited to go out tonight," Sidney continued. "It's been a while since they've done anything like that. Usually, the only time they go out is when they take Jake somewhere. So, it was nice for them to be able to go just the two of them for a relaxing dinner."

"I hope they enjoy it," Kyle responded. "They definitely deserve it."

Jake nestled himself between Kyle and Sidney as all three relaxed on the couch. He had picked out the movie he wanted to watch and was ready to get it started.

"Let's watch the movie now Uncle Kyle," Jake insisted. "Aren't ya'll ready?"

Not waiting for a response to his question, Jake pressed play on the control and started the movie. About halfway through, Jake's eyes began to get heavy and he maneuvered from his sitting position. He rested his head on Sidney and threw his legs across Kyle. Soon after that, he was asleep.

"Looks like my partner's done for the night," Kyle observed as he looked over at Jake. "I think you're right."

Kyle eased up from his seat and gently gathered his nephew in his arms.

"Be back in a minute," he whispered to Sidney. "I'm gonna put him in bed."

In no time, Kyle returned to reclaim his seat on the couch. He sat on one end of the sofa while Sidney sat on the other.

"Anything in particular you want to watch?" Kyle asked.

"Not really. Just pick something."

Kyle actually was more interested in spending time with Sidney than in what was on television.

He pretended to look for something to watch. For a while, they talked more than they paid attention to the television. Each continued to be surprised at how comfortable they were with one another.

As the night got longer, Sidney found herself doing exactly the same as Jake had done. She had shifted from sitting up right to curling up on

the couch with her head resting on the arm. She was getting tired, so, she tried to focus more on the television to help stay awake.

"Kevin and Anna must be having a good time," Kyle said after a while of silence. "It's getting pretty late."

There was no response from Sidney. Kyle leaned up to look over. She was asleep. He couldn't help but notice how peaceful Sidney looked in her sleep.

Once again, Kyle eased up from his seat. He grabbed a blanket and gently placed it over Sidney. He found himself staring at her. A few days ago, he barely knew Sidney Thompson. Now, Kyle found himself wanting to always be near her.

He reached with his fingers to brush a few strands of hair away from her face.

"What are you doing," he thought to himself. "You can't do this."

Chastising himself for his more-than-likely unwelcome desire, Kyle walked into the kitchen to get something to drink.

"What's going on with you?" he asked himself.

Kyle had no explanation for it, but he had developed feelings for Sidney. Never in his life had he enjoyed being around someone as much as he enjoyed being with Sidney. He had dated several women but none made him feel the way Sidney made him feel.

To say the least, Kyle definitely was confused. He didn't understand what was going on with him. Furthermore, he didn't know if she was feeling the same thing.

"I must be going crazy," he thought.

Suddenly, Kyle heard a creeping noise as if someone was approaching him. He turned to find Sidney had entered the room.

"Sorry. Did I wake you?" Kyle asked.

"No."

As the two looked at one another, Kyle decided there was a different feel to the atmosphere. Maybe he wasn't crazy after all. Maybe something really was going on.

"Want something to drink?"

"No. I don't think so," Sidney responded as she slowly began to approach Kyle.

He wasn't sure what she was feeling at this exact moment, but he felt like his heart was about to leap from his body.

Only inches separated the two as they stared into one another's eyes.

**Next Week: Chapter Eight**

Uncertainty

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## Southeastern Community Band plans Monday, March 26, concert in Elba

The Southeastern Community Band, under the direction of Dr. John M. Long, will play a concert in Elba, Alabama at the high school auditorium on March 26th at 7:30 p.m.

The Community Band has fifty-four members who have played in military bands, college bands, or are currently high school or junior high school directors in the area.

Many are professional people including university faculty members, retired military personnel, businessmen, medical doctors, radio talk hosts and other experienced musicians.

The program will include Sousa marches, Broadway show tunes, traditional band classics and soloists. One of the classical selections to be included is "Carpe Diem" by Rimsky-Korsakov, a beautiful selection taken from the orchestral transcription.

Mr. Ray Smith, who was

Clark Theatre's director

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M-F 7 & 9 - S&S 2, 7, & 9

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III - THE LAST MINUTE (PG)

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IV - DEAD SILENCE (R)

M-F 7 ONLY - S&S 2 & 7 ONLY

V - I THINK I LOVE MY WIFE (R)

M-F 9 ONLY - S&S 9 ONLY

College Cinema

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# COMMUNITY NEWS



**LION DR. M. V. MILES WAS HONORED** at a recent Elba Lions Club meeting in the presentation of a Melvin Jones Fellowship by his club. The fellowship is the foundation's highest honor and represents humanitarian qualities such as generosity, compassion, and concern for the less fortunate. In honor of Lion Miles 50+ years of humanitarian service as a Lion, on behalf of the Elba Lions Club, Past Council Chairman Bill Filmore from Daleville, presented Lion Miles with his plaque and pin representing his recognition.

## Latin Dancing Classes can be taken at ESJC Ozark Community College

The Enterprise Campus of Enterprise-Ozark Community College will be offering Latin Dancing classes on Mondays for eight weeks beginning April 2 and ending May 21, from 7 until 9 p.m. The cost is \$90.00 per couple. (Couples only please.) Class size is limited so early registration recommended! For more information or to register, call (334) 347-2623, ext. 2336.

## Flutist to perform at Cornerstone Cafe in Enterprise

Local flutist, will perform a concert of chamber music for flute and guitar Friday evening, March 30th at 7pm at the Cornerstone Cafe in Enterprise. The program will include music by Bach, Giuliani, Pauré, and Dowland. Her students from Wiregrass area schools will also join Ms. McKee. August Gahner of Enterprise Ozark Community College, Lorylin Thompson of Carroll High School in Ozark, and Krystina Ortiz of Daleville High School will perform music for flute trio, quartet and quintet. Also performing is Mrs. Susanne Markel, choral director at Coppinville Junior High School. Bass and alto flutes will be used in the ensemble pieces.

Ms. McKee came to Enterprise eight years ago as a member of the 98th Army Band at Ft. Rucker. A year later, in collaboration with organist Dr. Jean Johnson of Enterprise Ozark Community College and violinist Ingrid Shinnoski, she formed the chamber trio, Con Brio. She is currently teaching flute at Enterprise Ozark Community College.

The Cornerstone Cafe is located on Glover Avenue in Enterprise across from Dominoes Pizza. The concert is free and open to the public. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to benefit the Enterprise High School Band Disaster Relief Fund.

For further information about the concert, call 393-8319.

## The SE Alabama Rural Planning Organization to hold meeting

RPO Policy Committee, Thursday, March 29, 2007, 2:00 p.m. The Policy Committee meeting will be in the Sixth Floor Conference Room at the Houston County Administration Building located at 462 North Oates Street, Dothan, Alabama. The committee will discuss the upcoming work program, including examining the work program, developing bylaws, developing safety recommendations, and other business.

The RPO was established to develop a transportation planning process for the rural areas of southeastern Alabama and to serve as a formal link between the ALDOT and the local governments. The counties that are served by the RPO include Barbour, Coffee, Covington, and the areas of Dale, Geneva, Henry, and Houston not served by the Southeast Wiregrass MPO. The RPO provides government officials and citizens in these counties an opportunity to advise the ALDOT on transportation projects.

All of the meetings are open to the public. Anyone requiring special assistance should contact the SEARP&DC at least twenty-four hours prior to the day of the meeting at (334) 794-4093.

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## Training for available job opportunities offered by LBW Community College

Twelve students recently completed the Nursing Assistant Course (CNA) offered by LBW Community College at Wiregrass Medical Center and Nursing Home in Geneva. The Nursing Assistant Course is a three-week, 98-hour course. Classes meet Monday thru Friday from 8:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. and are available to individuals 18 years of age or older.

Jobs are readily available in the surrounding area for certified nursing assistants. Front Row (left to right): Chasity Cardin, Coffee Springs; Andi Brackin, Geneva; Christy Smith, Hartford; Terri Vaughn, Samson; DeAnna Donaldson, Elba; Tabitha Lewis, Black; Back Row (left to right): Jackie Hall, Primary Instructor; Kristi Dodson, Geneva; Melinda Dodd, Elba; Brandi Johnson, Geneva; Michelle Broadus, Bonifay; Linda Klemm, Florida; Julia Slawson, Enterprise; and Bonnie Pope, Lab Instructor.

## Scholarships available for University of Mobile Summer Music Camp

Scholarships are now available and registration is open for the University of Mobile's 14th annual Summer Music Camp in the UM Center for Performing Arts. The camp is scheduled for June 4-8 and will be held in Moore Auditorium on the UM campus.

Both full-tuition and partial-tuition scholarships are available by audition, which must include two pieces of contrasting style, demonstration of technical ability and a short interview. Registration deadline for scholarship auditions is May 10. Auditions will be held on Thursday, May 17 at UM, beginning at 1 p.m. in Martin Hall.

To obtain a copy of the brochure and a registration form, go to [www.umobile.edu/smc](http://www.umobile.edu/smc). For more information, contact UM's Center for Performing Arts at 251-442-2420.

UM's Summer Music Camp specializes in inspiring young musicians to increase technical proficiency, expand knowledge of music literature and develop performing skills in their area of choice. It is open to students residing in grades 4-12 for the 2007-2008 school year.

Participating students are required to have completed a minimum of one year of disciplined study on a music instrument and submit a recommendation by their music teacher. Areas of musical focus include: voice, piano, all symphonic instruments, chamber music, guitar and composition. In addition, senior campers may also take jazz guitar or the brand new audio tech basics, which will teach campers the fundamentals of setting up and running a sound system for a musical production.

Registration deadline for the Summer Music Camp is May 24. Cost of attendance is \$155 for junior camp (grades 4-7) and \$175 for senior camp (grades 8-12). An additional \$20 application fee is required.

## Covington Electric Cooperative's annual meeting planned for Thursday, April 5th

An exciting agenda is planned for Covington Electric Cooperative's 2007 Annual Membership Meeting which will be held Thursday, April 5, at the Kiwanis Community Center south of Andalusia on County Road 56 (South Bypass). CEC members, their families and friends, are encouraged to attend. Some seating will be available, but feel free to bring your lawn chairs.

Registration will begin at 3 p.m.; entertainment starts at 5 p.m.; and the business session begins at 7 p.m. The Isaacs of Tennessee, and local classic country group Double Nickel, will entertain during the meeting.

More than 30 attendance prizes will be given to lucky CEC members at this year's meeting. The major prizes to be given away are: a 1997 Ford F150 truck with a V8 engine, automatic transmission and air conditioning; a Bose Wave Radio, a flat screen TV; a DVD/VCR player; an electric grill with rotisserie; and \$150 cash. Each CEC member who registers at the meeting will receive a free apron, outdoor thermometer, lighted mirror and other useful gifts.

During a brief business session, a report on CEC operations will be presented, and two members will be elected to three-year terms on the board of trustees to represent Districts III and IV.

Heflin Smith is a member of the CEC board of trustees. He is a graduate of Kinston High School and served his country in the National Guard and the Army Reserve. Smith is former mayor and current councilman for the Town of Kinston. He is a former member and fire chief of the Kinston Fire Department.

Smith also serves as president of the Kinston Ruritan Club and serves on the Kinston High School Vocational Agriculture Advisory Committee. He is former president of the Rural Alabama Development Board, former trustee of Kinston High School and a former member of the Kinston Rescue Squad. Smith also donated land for the Heflin Smith's Sports Complex in Kinston.

Smith retired as manager of the Opp Farmers Co-op after 18 years of service. He is a member of Kinston United Methodist Church, where he serves as Sunday School superintendent. He and his wife, Geraldine, have three children and four grandchildren.

Cecil Hall was born in Covington County in 1938 and he attended Kinston High School. Hall served his country in the 131st Tank Battalion Company C in Opp for three years and also served in the Army and Army Reserve. Hall worked as a farmer and at a textile plant in Opp for many years before moving to Texas in 1982 to manage a ranch. He moved back to Kinston in 1993 and he continues to farm and raise cattle. Hall is married to the former Peggy Bowden and they have three sons and one daughter.

The Covington Electric Cooperative Membership Meeting is a family oriented event. Mark your calendars now to attend your annual meeting on Thursday, April 5, at the Andalusia Kiwanis Community Center.

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Obituaries (Continued from Page 3)

### EVELYN CHALKER DAVIS MIZELL

Mrs. Frank J. Mizell, Jr. (Evelyn Chalker Davis Mizell), age 88, died Tuesday, March 20, 2007.

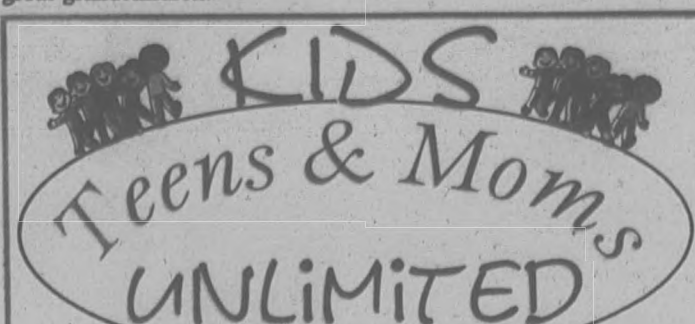
Visitation was Wednesday, March 21, from 5-7 p.m. at Trinity Presbyterian Church, Montgomery, Ala. Graveside services will be held at noon Thursday, March 22, at Evergreen Cemetery in Elba, Ala.

Mrs. Mizell is preceded in death by her husband of fifty-four years, Colonel Frank J. Mizell Jr.

Survivors include a

daughter: Reverend Kathleen Mizell Awbrey, Raleigh, N.C.; a sister: Janet Davis Dowling, Panama City, Fla.; a brother-in-law: Charles M. Mizell and his wife Lee; and grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Trinity Presbyterian Church Ministry of Missions, 1728 S. Hull Street, Montgomery, AL 36104. Leak-Memory Chapel directing.



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Chris Johnson, vice president of geospatial technologies at the U.S. Space and Rocket Center, demonstrates technology available through the Alabama Statewide 3D Visualization Tools Initiative. The demonstration was held last Thursday, March 15, in New Brockton and several local cities and counties were represented. The Alabama Department of Homeland Security and U.S. Space and Rocket Center have worked together to create a tool to help better provide geographic data to assist agencies such as homeland security, emergency management services, city and county governments, economic development/planning, natural resource management, environmental agencies, law enforcement and forensics, agriculture, etc. The program is free to the agencies that participate.

Coffee County Sheriff Dave Sutton poses a question regarding the 3D Visualization Tools in regards to how they might assist law enforcement.

## FEMA encourages building stronger, safer homes

Winds of destruction will inevitably blow, but structures can be built, rebuilt or even retrofitted to withstand more of these dangerous winds, according to mitigation experts from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security's Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA).

"The task of rebuilding or repairing your disaster damaged home can be daunting, but it also presents an opportunity to reconstruct safer, stronger and smarter," said H. Britt Bochiard, FEMA Hazard Mitigation CEO Group Supervisor.

Property owners and construction professionals can improve their knowledge of stronger building practices at several temporary "self-service" home repair information centers FEMA has established. Agency mitigation advisors will be on hand to explain and discuss safe building techniques at both Lowe's locations listed below, seven days a week from 8 a.m. - 6 p.m. Publications about reducing damage and loss from high winds will be available at all locations.

Lowe's, 1950 Eastern Blvd. Montgomery and 1501 Boll Weevil Circle, Enterprise; Builder's Cash & Carry, Enterprise; 708 Boll Weevil Circle; Townsend Builders Supply, Enterprise; Home Depot, Montgomery; Turf & Timber, Enterprise; Builders Cash & Carry, Enterprise; Daleville, Enterprise - Ozark Community College.

"FEMA really began studying how to make buildings more wind-resistant after Hurricane Andrew in 1992," said Bailey Williams of FEMA's Mitigation Hazard Prevention Analysis section. Many homes had foundations, wall systems and roof systems that were barely connected to each other. "The wind pulled the nails right out," he said. "The roofs just lifted off - and then the house is ruined."

The roof is the part of the house that is most vulnerable to damage from high winds. "Make the right decision about the roof," Williams said. "It should be a hip roof as opposed to a gable roof." With a gable roof, the wind hits harder on the corners. "The wind slides over a hip roof," Williams said. "It's like a dome. There is nothing for wind to get its teeth into."

"Also, the less overhang for the roof, the better," he said. Whether with new construction or retrofitting an existing roof, build to be sure the connections between the roof and walls are strong enough to resist the "siphon" effect of high winds. If such winds, the windows and doors open the wind puts pressure on the roof from below and the wind also pulls on the top, so there is double pressure on the roof," Williams said. "When the roof lifts off it may collapse back down on the house."

What about the advice to "equalize the pressure" by opening windows and doors when there is a tornado? "Don't open the doors and windows. It only gives the wind additional entry into the house."

Shutters or plywood covers can protect windows from breaking. "There are electric shutters that operate by just pushing a button, without a huge amount of expense," Williams said.

Wooden doors are simply not designed to withstand much of a wind load. Heavier metal doors with several bolts are much more wind resistant. Garage doors are another vulnerable area. With a weak garage door, a severe wind blows in the door. Wind pressure then lifts the garage roof which is hinged to the house. The garage roof pulls off part of the house, which lets the wind into the attic, which puts pressure on the house roof, which may then lift off.

Therefore, retrofitting older garage doors helps increase a home's storm resistance. "New garage doors are stronger and reinforced," Williams said. Building with 2-by-6 wall studs rather than the more common 2-by-4 timber is another way to make a structure more wind resistant.

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## SAFER

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forced structure built well above code.

Ryder said the Enterprise students will soon begin building their own miniature house such as the one brought to them last Thursday to be used as an educational tool. He said the purpose of the house is to help people understand the need for stronger built structures designed to withstand high winds from tornadoes and/or hurricanes.

The miniature house featured last Thursday during the Enterprise demonstration was built by high school students from Gulfport, Miss., after Hurricane Katrina ravaged that area.

Britt Bochiardy, FEMA Hazard Mitigation CEO group supervisor, told Enterprise students the goal is to put FEMA out of business by preventing future damage.

Ryder said through the improved construction techniques found in the DAWG HAUS weak points receive higher focus. He said fasteners and metal straps are placed in areas to make joints stronger. The home is also reinforced with more materials in certain areas.

Ryder said Lowe's has agreed to donate the materials for the construction of the miniature home. He said FEMA will give the design to Enterprise high students and they will construct



Britt Bochiardy, FEMA Hazard Mitigation CEO Group Supervisor, holds a model of a SAFE Room designed by FEMA. Representatives of FEMA explained a SAFE Room can be designed inside a bedroom, bathroom, etc. The purpose of the SAFE Room is to protect those inside during an event of high winds from tornado or hurricane activity. FEMA reps say a house may blow away, but a SAFE Room will not.

a new model.

After it is complete, Ryder said the demonstration house built by Enterprise students will be used to teach others how to build safer, stronger houses. He also said everyone is the community will eventually have an opportunity to see how well-constructed the house is as the model will be displayed at several different locations in Enterprise.

Ryder said this project has been done previously in Florida, and after the March 1st tornado in Enterprise, FEMA thought it would be important to bring it to Enterprise.



THE REPUBLICAN WOMEN OF COFFEE COUNTY donated the book, THE WEST'S LAST CHANCE, by Tony Blankley to the Elba Public Library Monday, March 19, in memory of Jack R. Brunson, long time associate member and supporter of RWCC. The book was selected from a list of the Mamie Eisenhower Library Project sponsored by the National Federation of Republican Women. Pictured at the Elba Library are, Sue Neuwien, president of Republican of Coffee County; Kay Wilson, librarian; and Sue Cobb, parliamentarian of RWCC. Seated is Mrs. Edna Brunson, member of RWCC and wife of Mr. Jack R. Brunson Sr, long time associate member and supporter of RWCC.



Enterprise students soon will begin building a miniature house such as the one shown above to be used as a teaching tool for building more secure and above code structures that can better withstand high winds.

## BOE

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islative issues being discussed in Montgomery including the proposed 7 percent pay raise and the capital outlay bond issue. The bond issue could mean up to \$800,000 to the Elba school system for building/grounds improvements and transportation equipment.

A growing issue with the Elba CEC plans charity poker run to benefit Enterprise tornado victims

Covington Electric Cooperative (CEC), a member-owned electric cooperative, will sponsor a Charity Poker Run on Saturday, March 24, with registration beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the CEC branch office located on Highway 134 West in Enterprise. The event will raise money to help the tornado victims in Enterprise.

"Everyone wanted to help the people of Enterprise who were affected by the tornado so we came up with a good way to

school system is students whose first language is something other than English. There are presently five such students in the Elba school system. The first language of these students includes Spanish and Korean. Superintendent Weeks said he expects these numbers to increase.

Anyone who would like more information on the CEC Charity Poker Run scheduled for March 24, should contact Doyce Colvin at 334-504-0775.

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BOE members approve superintendent's recommendations

## Coffee County Schools preparing for new leadership in 2007-2008

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Coffee County Board of Education conducted a special meeting Monday morning, March 26, and made some highly important decisions regarding school leadership in the near future.

As superintendent Dr. Linda Ingram began to make her personnel recommendations to board members during Monday's meeting she said the past several weeks have been some of the most important weeks she has lived through during her years as superintendent.

Dr. Ingram made that statement because she was preparing to recommend the hiring of four principals and a special programs coordinator for the coffee county school system. The principal positions up for consideration were at Kinston School, New Brockton High School, Zion Chapel School and New Brockton Elementary School.

The personnel recommendations made by Dr. Ingram and unanimously approved by board members included:

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Elba Elementary serves as model site for reading program

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Elba Elementary School played host to more than 70 educators/visitors last Wednesday, March 21, as the school's reading program was the focal point of the day.

Ed Schaefer, a representative of Educational Resources Inc., said his company has worked with Elba Elementary School for a couple of years in regards to the school's highly successful reading program.

While the core reading program was implemented some time ago, Schaefer said an extension to the program was the main focus for last week's visit. He said Connections is a program added to the core reading program that provides extra instruction time for teachers and students.

Schaefer said Connections allows students to learn to read text more fluently, better recognize punctuation and much



Elba Elementary School students seemed more like the teachers than students Wednesday, March 21, when educators from various parts of the nation visited the school to learn more about the reading program "Connections." Above, a student shows two educators how the program is implemented in his classroom.

more.

Elba Elementary School serves as a model site for Connections, and last week edu-

cators from many states across

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## City of Elba receives award from Workman's Comp. insurance carrier

by Ferrin Cox, Publisher

The Elba City Council meeting of Monday evening was brief and uneventful.

The only action taken was approving an Alabama Department Environmental Management (ADEM) required resolution relating to the sewer lagoon.

The recently completed report of the ADEM Annual Report indicates Elba received a score of 72, which is 72 demerits. The 37-year-old Elba facility automatically drew 37 points, one for each year of age on the facility. Thirty-five of the additional points were due to one negative sample of inflow into the lagoon, according to a letter from the city's engineers.

The engineer explained this could have been due to untimely testing or a one time individual incident. They added that there are, "No deficiencies or deviations from permit requirements were noted during this reporting period."

The effluent discharge was well below permit limits, according to the report.

The engineers recommended close monitoring as the only resolution necessary.

The ADEM report noted that

in the 2006 reporting period, the sewer lagoon was operating at an average of 62.5% of capacity. This is a slight decrease from the previous year and can be explained by weather fluctuations.

Mayor James Grimes reported on the recent ISO (fire fighting ability) inspection and told council members it could be as long as six months before Elba knows if this will lead to a lower fire rating. Such a lower rating could lead to lower fire insurance rates to home owners.

Grimes also commended employees and department heads over the latest award from the Workman's Comp. insurance carrier. Elba was awarded a "Gold Award" for having a last time rate below 5%.

City Clerk Wayne Grantham reported work has stalled on dismantling the Clements Furniture building and he was working to get the demolition crew to give him an update.

Grantham also noted pothole patching of city streets had resumed as the weather warmed up and that the recycling bins have been relocated to the main entrance doors (West side) of the old high school gym.

Ben Purvis joined the Elba Volunteer Fire Department approximately one year ago.

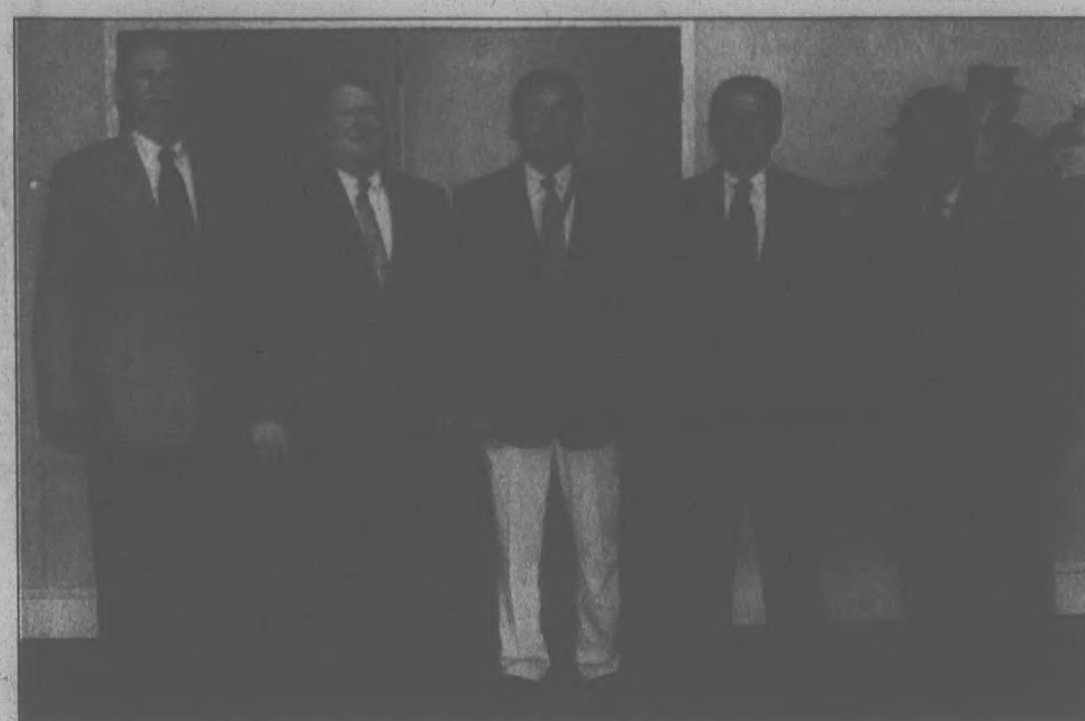
The firefighter said he decided to join the department, "to be an active part in our community."

Purvis has special training for National Incident Command, First Responder, CPR and EVO.

When asked what he enjoys most about being a member of the department, he said the friendships of the other firefighters and the cooks.

Ben is self-employed and a student at Troy University. He enjoys hunting and fishing.

His family includes his parents, Mitch and Joyce Purvis, and his sister, Sara Purvis.



THE COFFEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION took a step forward Monday, March 26, during a special meeting as they approved recommendations from Superintendent Dr. Linda Ingram to hire four new principals and a special programs coordinator for the 2007-08 school term and beyond. Those being hired to fill the positions include (from left to right): Dale Kelley, hired to be the principal of New Brockton Elementary School effective July 1; Mark Coale, hired to be the school system's special programs coordinator; Terry Weeks, hired to be principal of Kinston School effective July 1; Gary Glass, hired to be principal of New Brockton High School effective July 1; and Bobby Hartwell, hired to be principal of Zion Chapel Schools effective July 1.

## Former county jail employee addresses Coffee County Commission

by Linda Hodge, Editor

her employment and recent termination from the county jail.

Ruth Scheipe was terminated by Coffee County Sheriff Dave Sutton as an employee of the Coffee County Jail on Tuesday, March 26, and listed as a former employee discussed

"I believe I left (the jail) in better shape than I found it," Scheipe said in regards to being administrator. "With the entry of a new administration came a

## Drop-off spot for Elba Recycle changed



THE CITY OF ELBA recently relocated the drop-off bins for recycle products. The drop off point remains at the old high school gym in downtown Elba, however, the bins have been moved inside the gym. Citizens bringing recycle products to the drop-off point now will place the items in the properly designated door of the building. The doors, located on the west side of the old gym building, once served as the main entrance doors to the gym. The doors remain locked, and citizens will drop their products through holes in the door. City employee Arnie Beerenstrauch (above) points to the drop-off spot for plastic milk bottles and plastic soda bottles. Other items for drop-off include paper products, steel/tin cans and aluminum cans. Each door is well-marked for the type item that should be placed inside the bin. Beerenstrauch said if anyone has an item too big to fit through the hole in the door, he/she can place it next to the door for pickup.

new jail administrator.

Scheipe said employees were told by Sheriff Sutton that if they were willing to work, they would have a job. She said they also were told that they would be under a six-month probation period for employment.

"Almost immediately, I was accused of trying to undermine the new administration," Scheipe said.

She alluded to problems with inmates regarding time allotted for smoking and said she had concerns regarding the system put in place by the administration.

Scheipe said the next allegation against her was that she was disrespectful in a meeting because she sat with her head in her hands.

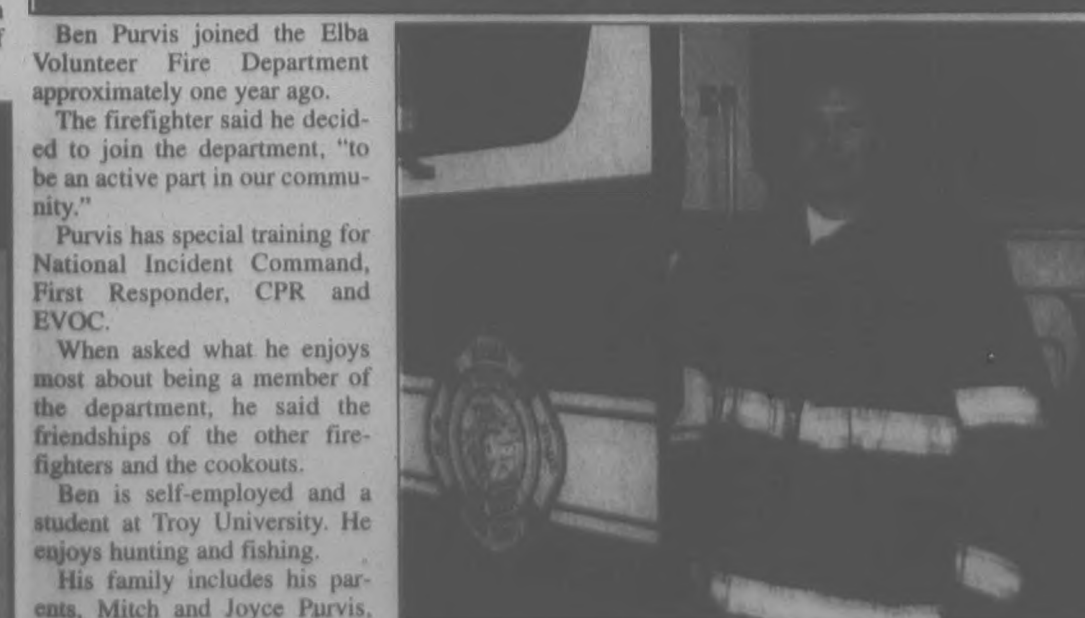
On March 3, Scheipe said there was another incident with inmates regarding smoking. She said some inmates were upset because they did not believe they were allotted enough smoke time. She said the inmates refused to be locked down, and deputies had to respond to the jail that evening.

After speaking of meetings with Chief Deputy R.W. Whitworth following this incident, Scheipe said she was terminated Tuesday, March 6, and given a letter explaining the reasons for termination. She said the letter indicated a failure to follow procedure, failure to sup-

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## REMINDER

Circle Eight of "Something Better" can be found on Page 13 of today's paper.



Firefighter Ben Purvis